

MEMORANDUM

Texas Department of Human Services * Long Term Care/Policy

TO: Long Term Care -Regulatory
Regional Directors, State Office Section Managers and
HCSSA Program Administrators

FROM: Marc Gold, Director
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SUBJECT: Regional Survey & Certification Letter #01-11

DATE: August 15, 2001

The attached RS&C Letter is being provided to you for information purposes and should be shared with all professional staff.

- RS&C Letter No. 01-11 -- **OSCAR/ODIE RELEASE 2001.1**. For questions regarding the OSCAR/CLIA system discussed in this letter, please call the Texas Department of Health, Health Facility Licensing and Compliance Division at (512) 834-6650.

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Attachment



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REGIONAL SURVEY AND CERTIFICATION LETTER NO: 01-11

To: All State Survey Agencies (Action)
All Title XIX Single State Agencies (Information)

Subject: **OSCAR/ODIE RELEASE 2001.1**

We wanted to take this opportunity to inform you of the programming changes for the OSCAR/CLIA system are scheduled to be released on May 21. The changes are further described below:

Non-CLIA

1. On OSCAR report 10, renamed 'Christian Science' hospitals to "Religious Non-medical;" on OSCAR user-defined category selection screen, the subcategory of "Religious Non-medical Health Care Institution" replaced 'Christian Science';
2. Corrected problem with dates from the Informal Dispute Resolution (IDR) Request and Completion fields carrying forward from previous to current survey;
3. For rural health clinics, made the Physician field optional on the ODIE Screen N.9.1;
4. Tightened system security on transport lines so that certain security classes would be prohibited from accessing specific subsystems/options.

CLIA

5. Modified the process of reactivating and terminating laboratory records to make it more consistent, whether the laboratory's certificate is an initial, current, continuing, or returning from termination;
6. Added two more exceptions to the certificate status changes and corrections. Made the process of correcting or changing laboratory's certificate status more uniform and predictable. Refer to the latest version of the CLIA edit chart (see attached) - Chart C contains the two exceptions that were added to the scenarios;
7. Modified the process for canceling partial payments. (This change applies only to CO CLIA staff and the billing anomalies contractor.);

8. Assigned new internal CLIA transaction codes for use by internal OSCAR reports developed to track the billing and payment of laboratories; modified the CLIA billing programs to use the new transaction codes;
9. Fixed errant laboratory records to delete CLIA specialties when laboratories corrected certificate status; modified CLIA billing programs to ensure that CLIA schedules codes reflected current application status; eliminated warning screen when reactivating terminated CLIA exempt laboratory records;
10. Modified OSCAR Report 72 (Laboratories with Missing EINs) to page break by State and to select only laboratory records with application (HCFA-116) information present;
11. Corrected problems with deleting test volumes in ODIE for accredited laboratories when selected specialties were terminated; fixed online error that appeared to accredited data users when entering specialties on the third page of the ODIE screen (ODIE 5.4);

If you have further questions, you may contact LaDonna Calleia at 214-767-4417 or by e-mail (lcalleia@hcfa.gov).

Sincerely,

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